

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (UNDP) MONTENEGRO

announces an

OPEN CALL

**for potential partners in the implementation of activities within the *phase II*
Program of Support to Montenegrin HIV/AIDS Strategy Implementation
supported by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM)**

In line with the sixth UN Millennium Development Goal – combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases, the Country Coordinating Mechanism for HIV/AIDS developed a four-year programme «Support to HIV/AIDS Strategy Implementation in Montenegro», based on the Republic HIV/AIDS Strategy and financed by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM).

UNDP Montenegro has been designated as primary recipient of funds and is responsible for the programme implementation. The overall goal of the programme is to maintain low HIV prevalence in Montenegro as well as to provide support to persons living with HIV/AIDS. The Programme activities should increase the level of preventive measures in order to reduce the risk of HIV infection within the target groups covered in this project. Prevention activities are focused on members of groups at greatest risk of HIV infection in Montenegro, some of which especially stigmatized in our society.

Targeted groups and planned activities are:

Intravenous Drug Users (IDU) – Determining number of IDU, their education, counseling, needle exchange, increasing number of institutions where IDU can get therapy, distribution of condoms and educational materials.

Commercial Sex Workers (CSW) – mapping and analyzing number of CSW, education, distribution of condoms, developing education materials, peer education, HIV prevention and better access to reproductive health counseling services and VCT services.

Men Having Sex with Men (MSM) – determining number of MSM, reducing risk of HIV infection by organizing peer education, condom distribution, counseling and demistification of these groups in Montenegro.

Sailors and tourist workers – Preventing the spread of HIV infection and other STIs by organizing seminars, trainings and counseling centers.

Prisoners – Prevention of STIs by VCT and by organizing seminars and trainings for prisoners and health professionals that are working with this vulnerable group.

Roma population – Reducing risk of HIV infection by organizing peer education, trainings, distributing condoms and organizing educational programs in Roma settlements and delivering educational materials specially prepared in accordance with the level of education of this population.

Youth – Reducing risk of HIV/AIDS by organizing peer education and developing educational programs in primary and secondary schools as well as developing of educational materials.

People living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) – Providing psycho-social help

Health and other state institutions, local government institutions, academic institutions, local NGOs, associations, expert associations as well as other organizations having capacities and an interest in working on this project are eligible to apply.

Applications will be taken into consideration if the applicant meets the following requirements:

- Registered and working in Montenegro (applications from international NGOs and other international organizations shall not be accepted);
- Have capacities to ensure human and material resources for the implementation of the submitted program;
- Ready to accept public responsibility for the program implementation and for the work in the given domain.

Applications will be taken into consideration if submitted with an official stamp and an authorized person's signature.

Application forms, as well as detailed application instructions, can be found on www.undp.org.yu/montenegro/files/tenders web site.

Please, send your completed forms together with the completed annexes in a sealed envelope to the following address: **UNDP, 24b Beogradska, 81000 Podgorica**, with a note "**ZA POZIV - Podrška sprovođenju strategije za HIV/AIDS u Crnoj Gori**", each work day between 09-17h, or e-mail it on: vladan.djekic@undp.org with all the required documents scanned and attached in PDF format.

Deadline for receipt of applications: ~~August July 1625~~. 20087, at 17:00h CET.

Only short-listed organisations will be contacted.